BulkIssuesUpdate

How to do Bulk updates of JIRA issues

If you ever wondered how to bulk change issues in JIRA, here's the procedure:

- View a list of issues, e.g. by query/filter
 At the top-right click on "Tools" and select "Bulk Change all <no.> issues"
- ° The screen changes so that next to each issue there's a check box
- Mark all the issues you want to change and click "Next"
- Select the operation (e.g. Edit)
- The next screen (followed by choosing operation "Edit") lets you edit the issues
 - Note at the bottom that you can deselect the option to send an email per issue. Do this if you don't want to spam the list.

🔥 NOTE: when making a bulk edit (with or without the email notifications) it's usually a good idea to explicitly note in the comment that you are performing a bulk edit, and what criteria was used to find the issues so people who come along later and see the edit on a single issue will understand the larger context. It can be particularly helpful if you include some semi-distinct token (based on the date) to help identify all of the affected issues with a simple search, see for instance this query identifying issues with this comment.